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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF FORMER AMBASSADOR STEPHANSKY AND
VICTOR REUTHER

1. DR. BENJAMIN STEPHANSKY, ADMINISTRATOR OF THE OFFICE
OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PUERTO RICO IN WASHINGTON (AND
FORMERLY US AMBASSADOR TO BOLIVIA AND DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY OF STATE) WILL TRAVEL ON VACATION TO SPAIN AND
LISBON IN AUGUST ACCOMPANIED BY MR. VICTOR REUTHER, UNTIL
RECENTLY THE DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS FOR THE
UNITED AUTO WORKERS.

2. PRESENT TRAVEL PLANS ARE TO BE IN BARCELONA AUGUST 4-11,
IN MADRID AUGUST 11-17, TRAVELING IN ANDALUSIA AUGUST 18-24,
AND IN LISBON APPROXIMATELY AUGUST 25-30. IN BARCELONA
THE PROGRAM FOR MESSRS. STEPHANSKY AND REUTHER IS BEING
ARRANGED BY STEPHANSKY'S OLD FRIEND VICTOR ALBA. IN LISBON
THE PARTY HOPES TO SEE PRIME MINISTER MARIO SOARES WHO IS
AN OLD FRIEND OF MR. REUTHER.

3. MESSRS. STEPHANSKY AND REUTHER REQUIRE NO RPT. NO
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FACILITATIVE SERVICES, EXCEPT THAT THEY WILL PROBABLY

ASK LISBON'S ASSISTANCE IN ARRANGING AN APPOINTMENT WITH SOARES, AND THEY MAY CALL AT THE EMBASSIES IN MADRID AND

LISBON FOR A SHORT BRIEFING ON THE GENERAL SITUATION IN SPAIN AND PORTUGAL.

4. THEIR TRAVEL IS STRICTLY PERSONAL AND FOR VACATION. WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF POST SHOWED THEM APPROPRIATE COURTESIES TO THE EXTENT THEY ARE REQUESTED. KISSINGER

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